

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular
Meeting

Held at M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m.

July 25,
20 22

Each meeting of the Amherst Board of Education is held in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

President Rex Engle presided. Called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Rex Engle, present; Teresa Gilles, present, Amanda Messer, present; Morgan Wachholz, present; Marc Zappa, present.

Steven A. Sayers, Superintendent, present; Amelia R. Gioffredo, Treasurer/CFO, present.

2022-07-01

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addenda.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-02

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Wachholz to approve the revised appointment of **Michael Molnar** as Superintendent, to be effective August 1, 2022.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Wachholz, aye; Messer, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-03

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to approve the revised resignation date for **Steve Sayers** to be effective July 31, 2022.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-04

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Wachholz to approve **Amelia Gioffredo** to carry over two (2) vacation days to be used in August 2022.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Wachholz, aye; Messer, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

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Hearing of the Public:

The Public Participation section of the Board of Education's agenda is specifically designed for the public to address the Board with their compliments and/or concerns. The Board welcomes and appreciates your comments. If you wish to address the board regarding a problem, please consider the following:

- First, your comments should be factual and respectful of the rights of others.
- Second, before addressing the Board with a specific problem, it is the Board's hope that you have first addressed the problem with the appropriate teacher, staff member of administrator. Individual statements should not exceed five (5) minutes and total time shall be a maximum of thirty (30) minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Amelia Gioffredo

2022-07-05

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to approve the treasurer's recommendations:

- A. Amend and/or approve the board minutes of the June 27, 2022, Regular Board Meeting.
- B. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of June 2022 (See **Exhibits 8A, 8B, 8C and 8D**).
- C. Approve the then-and-now invoice(s), thus certifying that both at the time the contract was made and at the time of the certificate, the amount of the contract was lawfully appropriated for such purposes of the contract. That the appropriation remains unencumbered and the available resources to pay the obligation are on-hand, or in the process of collection to the credit of the appropriate fund, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code §5705.41 as per **Exhibit 8E**.
- D. Approve the **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY** as per **Exhibit 8F**.
- E. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Amherst Schools:
 - **Bosch Tools** for a donation of nearly \$8,000 worth of tools for the M.L. Steele Makerspace.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye, Engle, aye.

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Notes:

- Last meeting in Amherst – great school district and fabulous community. Fond memories. Wished everyone luck

Administrative Committee Reports:**Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent**

Notes – Video memory for Steve 2008-2022

Mrs. Sarah Walker, Director of Pupil Services

Notes – Thank you to Steve for trust & leadership for a decade!

Mr. Rex Engle JVS Representative

Notes:

- JVS Board meeting last week.
- This coming Fall is the largest enrollment ever.

Other Reports – Administrative Standing Committees

Notes: - None

2022-07-06

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Gilles to approve the following:

- A. Accept the resignation of **Sarah Walker** as Director of Student Services, effective July 31, 2022.
- A1. Approve the employment of **Sarah Walker** as Assistant Superintendent, effective August 1, 2022.
- B. Accept the following resignation(s) as indicated for the purpose of retirement and authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to execute any necessary documents relating to separation of employment.
 - **Maria Tomusko**, Teacher Aide, MLS, effective 8/18/2022.
- C. Accept the following resignations as indicated and authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to execute any necessary documents relating to separation of employment:
 - **Melissa Carver**, Bus Driver, effective 8/23/2022
 - **Bernice Lavine**, Administrative Assistant, Treasurer's Office, effective 8/31/2022
 - **Jessica Luca-Crum**, Monitor, Powers Elementary, effective 6/30/2022
 - **Brian Szczepanski**, Dean of Students, Nord, effective 6/30/2022

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D. Employ the following certified individuals, on a one-year limited contract, as indicated, for the **2022-2023** school year pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check and proper certification/licensure. Proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending verification of all education training and prior experience submitted to the Amherst Schools:

- **Nicholas Doebr**, Dean of Students, Nord, effective 8/22/2022 (includes 10 extended days)

E. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract, for the **2022-2023** school year pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check. Proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending verification of all prior experience:

- **Mary Elliott**, 60-day probationary contract, FT Bus Driver, effective 8/23/2022

F. Approve **Bernice Lavine** at a rate of \$35 per hour, for consulting purposes, for the **2022-2023** school year as needed.

G. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the **2022-2023** school year, as indicated, with compensation at the board approve substitute rates pending completion of all employment requirements, including, but not limited to licensure/certificate (if required) and a BCI & FBA background check as per **Attachment 11A**.

H. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the fall and/or year-round extra-curricular activities during the **2022-2023** school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCII and FBI background check with compensation at the board approved rate as per **Attachment 11B**.

I. Approve all **Head Cooks** to work on 8/16/2022 to attend a Head Cook meeting to prepare for the **2022-2023** school year.

J. Approve **Elizabeth Boesel**, to work on 8/22/2022 to prepare for the District Welcome Back breakfast.

K. Approve the non-contracted **Nutrition Services** staff to work on 8/24/2022 for their annual beginning of the year department meeting. Employees will be paid straight time and not to exceed a total of 48 hours, as per **Attachment 11C**.

L. Approve **Kathleen Davalla**, School Psychologist and **Cynthia Zocchi**, Clinic Aide, for extra hours worked during the summer of **2022**, and as needed, effective 6/1/2022

M. Approve **Brian Cesear**, as a Home Instruction tutor through the remainder of the summer of **2022**, effective 6/1/2022.

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N. Approve the revised job descriptions for the Central Office and Treasurer's administrative support staff as per **Exhibit 11A**.

O. Approve **Jenna Porostosky** to carry over one (1) vacation day to be used in **August 2022**.

P. Approve the following individuals to be paid for attending a Summer Professional Development on 8/17/2022, (specific to Special Education) as per **Attachment 11D**

Roll call vote:

Zappa, aye; Gilles, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-07

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Wachholz to approve the following:

A. Enter into a contract with **Education Alternatives** for the purpose of providing day transportation with special needs for the **2022-2023** school year as per **Exhibit 12A**.

B. Enter into a service agreement by and between **St. Joseph** and **PSI Affiliates, Inc.** as per **Exhibit 12B**.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Wachholz, aye; Messer, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-08

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Messer to approve the following:

A. Approve the participation with **True North Energy, LLC** for **The Giving Pump Program**. The campaign will begin on August 1st and run through October 31, 2022. All proceeds will support the Comet's Live Program.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-07-09

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

Board President, Rex Engle adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer/CFO